The purpose of life

Life is lived in the tension of want and inadequacy. You may think someone else is happy because he has comforts. This is because you have set a value for what he has. Nobody is really happy. The only difference between the "haves" and "have-nots" is that the "haves" are unhappy with comforts and the "have-nots" are unhappy without comforts. Everyone wants to be different from what he or she is. This is a problem common to every human being.

Solving this problem is the purpose of life. One cannot be indifferent to it. The experiences of life make one think. "What I want is not all these things. I want to be at ease with myself. How can I discover that?" When the problem is thus identified, one knows exactly what one should look for, and life becomes purposeful. Then alone it is worth living.

-- Swami Dayanand, The teaching of the Bhagavad Gita http://www.supremecourtcaselaw.com/thoughts.htm

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My grandmother had the best answer to this philosophy. She said that a person should appreciate what they have and do not worry about what he does not have. Every person who can do this will be happy.

My grandmother said that the purpose of life was to give the best effort to whatever you are doing.

Unfortunately, she did not write a book.

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Wirajhana eka, September 16, 2007 at 2:35 PM

your grand ma is definitely a truly wealthy human being.... hope, you had her wisdom too..

best regards....

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Robert Naibaho September 16, 2007 at 2:35 PM

Dear collegues, If you want to know percistly the purpose of your life, please read "PURPOSE OF DRIVEN LIFE" by Rick Warren.
You will find the answer why God created you.

Cheer and peace, Jesus bless you

Robert